









# Look guys, the water's fine — but don't use it

#### 'Esthetic issue.'

Measures being taken to combat problem, says department head



Concerns over discoloured water flowed through city hall on Tuesday, with Winnipeg's water-and-waste director defending its quality even while suggesting citizens not use it for drinking, cooking or laundry.

Diane Sacher told councillors on the infrastructure committee the city has gone above what is required for testing, and Manitoba Health has stated it is safe to consume.

#### Don't drink the water

"Certainly by no means are we encouraging people to drink it ... but the medical professionals are saying even if you did, you wouldn't get sick from it."

Winnipeg's water-and-waste director Diane Sacher

"Even if you drank that water, you should not get sick from it, and that's why we've been calling it an esthetic issue," Sacher told reporters following Tuesday's infrastructure renewal and public works committee meeting.

"There aren't bacteria and pathogens in the water that would make you sick."

Sacher said that based on this year's trend, she expects one per cent of Winnipeg households — between 3,500 to 4,000 homes — will have been affected by discoloured water that required city crews to investigate.

"This year, what we're expecting is that we'll see twice as many reports as we did in previous years," she said.

While the cause has not yet been determined, the water-and-waste department has taken measures, including flushing out water mains, relocating fire hydrants and continuing with the pipecleaning program.

Sacher is asking homeowners who are experiencing repeat episodes of discolouration, not just one-offs, to contact 311.



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#### Dealing with traffic

#### Truckers want to keep using Provencher

The battle over whether to curb truck traffic along Provencher Boulevard shifted into a higher gear, with a Manitoba Trucking Association official saying the alternative routes are too costly.

Terry Shaw, the association's general manager, urged councillors on the infrastructure renewal and public works committee not to proceed with the change, adding that his members are looking at a cost of around \$600,000 a year if it's implemented.

Coun. Dan Vandal (St. Boniface), who put forward a motion to take away Provencher's truck route designation during the July 17 council meeting, said he stands by his motion.

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#### Return to politics?

#### Former councillor Steeves eyes mayor's chair

Former councillor Gord Steeves, who represented St. Vital until 2011 when he resigned in a failed attempt at a provincial seat, said on Tuesday that he's mulling a run for mayor.

"I do think I have some decent experience and I've been around for a while, I understand how the place works, so that's why I'm considering it very, very strongly," said Steeves, who also voiced support for lawyer Brian Bowman entering the fray. METRO

# Tragedy. University of Manitoba researcher dies in Arctic helicopter crash

Three people are dead after a Canadian Coast Guard helicopter crashed in Arctic waters during a routine patrol to check ice conditions.

The helicopter had been stationed on the icebreaker Amundsen, which was sailing through M'Clure Strait in the western Arctic as part of a regular program of scientific study.

Those killed have been identified as Marc Thibault, commanding officer of the ship, helicopter pilot Daniel Dube

and Klaus Hochheim, a veteran University of Manitoba Arctic scientist.

"We are deeply affected by this tragedy," said Mario Pelletier, the coast guard's assistant commissioner. "Our deepest condolences go to the families of our colleagues, who we like to think of as our friends."

Pelletier said the helicopter crew was brand new, so they decided to take a patrol around the ship to familiarize themselves. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Fort Richmond. South Winnipeg gets shiny, brand new Liquor Mart

Fort Richmond has a new Liquor Mart.

Work is complete on the MLCC's new 10,400 square foot free-standing building at the corner of Pembina Highway and Kirkbridge Drive, and the doors swung open to thirsty customers Tuesday.

"It is our goal to provide Liquor Mart shoppers with a pleasurable retail experience," said Peter Kenyon, CEO of Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries

"We are confident that our customers in south Winnipeg will enjoy the store's design and location and we look forward to serving them at the new Fort Richmond Liquor Mart."

The new store has a modern décor, environmentally friendly features, and an increased selection of about 2,450 listings, according to a release.

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# Winnipeg lawyer mulls running for mayor

**Praise.** Bowman said he tips his hat to Winnipeg Mayor Sam Katz



ELISHA DACEY

A prominent Winnipeg lawyer says he's keeping his eye on the city's mayoral chair.

Brian Bowman, a partner at Pitblado Law specializing in privacy, access to information and social media law, said he's considering running for mayor in the next election.

"I kind of don't like the cloak and dagger of politics as usual," said Bowman. "So I thought if I'm going to go down this path, I'm going to do it in a way that's more open and transparent.

"My sense is that people, myself included, don't feel that the city is realizing its full potential."

Bowman has upped his advocacy and local profile in recent years, serving with the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce, The Winnipeg Art Gallery and aboriginal groups.

Bowman's expertise in social media engagement will be put to good use, he added.

"What I really like about (avid Twitter user and Calgary Mayor Naheed Nenshi) is he's honest, and that's a characteristic I think I can demonstrate. I'm honest, I'm honest about where I'm at and I'm honest about my views on things ... he's not just using (social media) to push a pol-



itical message, he's using it to build relationships with them."

Bowman said there's only one thing that would prevent him from running.

"If my sense is that Winnipeggers feel that everything is just OK. They're happy

with the status quo, or that I'm not the person for the joh"

Bowman said he tips his hat to Winnipeg Mayor Sam Katz, who has not said if he will seek another term. "Anyone who makes that level of sacrifice has my respect."



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Asia

#### 25% of men in six Asian countries have raped: Study

About one in four men in some parts of Asia admitted raping a woman, according to the first large studies of rape and sexual violence. About one in 10 admitted raping a woman who was not their partner.

International researchers said their startling finding should change perceptions about how common violence against women is and prompt major campaigns to prevent it.

In the new research, male interviewers surveyed more than 10,000 men in Bangladesh, China, Cambodia, Indonesia, Sri Lanka and Papua New Guinea.

"It's clear violence against women is far more widespread in the general population than we thought," said Rachel Jewkes of South Africa's Medical Research Council, who led the two studies.

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#### India

#### Gang rapists guilty on all 11 counts

A court convicted four men Tuesday in the deadly gang rape of a young woman on a New Delhi bus, a brutal crime that galvanized public anger over the widespread — yet widely tolerated — sexual violence faced by Indian women.

The men face the possibility of hanging.
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#### Switzerland

# Swiss lawmakers raise legal age for prostitution to 18

Lawmakers in Switzerland, where prostitution is legal, have agreed to make it a criminal act to pay for sex with anyone who is under 18 years old.

The legal age for prostitution would rise to 18 years, up from 16, under an amendment passed by the lower house unanimously Tuesday.

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#### China. Boy who had eyes gouged gets implants

A six-year-old Chinese boy whose eyes were gouged out received implants Tuesday at a hospital in southern China owned by a Hong Kong doctor who offered the operation after learning about the brutal attack.

The implants are a precursor to fitting the boy with prosthetic eyes that will look and move more like normal eyes, but do not restore vision. Doctors at the C-MER (Shenzhen) Dennis Lam Eye Hospital also plan to fit Guo Bin — nicknamed Bin Bin — with navigation sensors that would allow the boy to get around on his own in familiar places.

"As his parents, we are full of hope," the boy's father, Guo Zhiping, said over the phone while waiting for the surgery to finish. "We have yet to tell him that his vision would be lost forever."

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U.S. President Barack Obama addresses the nation in a live televised speech from the East Room of the White House on Tuesday. Obama blended the threat of military action with the hope of a diplomatic solution as he works to strip Syria of its chemical weapons. EVAN VUCCI-POOL/GETTY IMAGES

# Obama pitches Syria strike to U.S.

#### **Chemical weapons.**

President advocates diplomacy in address to nation, but insists he will 'be ready to respond' if measures fail

U.S. President Barack Obama made an impassioned pitch to Americans on Tuesday night to support his push to punish Syria for purportedly gassing its own citizens, assuring a war-weary nation that a military strike is necessary because "this is not a world we should accept."

"When dictators commit atrocities, they depend upon the world to look the other way until those horrifying pictures fade from memory," Obama said in a televised address from the White House at the end of a day of breakneck developments on the Syrian crisis.

"But these things happened. The facts cannot be denied. The question now is what the United States of America and the international community is prepared to do about it, because what happened to those people — to those children — is not only a violation of international law, it's also a danger to our security."

Obama took to the airwaves amid hopes that a diplomatic solution is at hand, one engineered by Russia, a frequent U.S. antagonist and Syrian ally. Bashar Assad's regime said it's accepted Russia's proposal to place its chemical weapons under international control for subsequent dismantling.

Such a move, if sincerely implemented, could avert the need for American military intervention in the war-torn Middle Eastern country. The

#### War-weary country

"I will not pursue an open-ended action like Iraq or Afghanistan.... This would be a targeted strike ... deterring the use of chemical weapons."

U.S. President Barack Obama

Russian proposal hit a snag later Tuesday, however, when Russian President Vladimir Putin objected to a French proposal involving the United Nations Security Council.

Nonetheless, Obama said he'd asked Congress to post-pone a vote on authorizing a military strike in Syria as Secretary of State John Kerry heads to Geneva on Thursday to meet with his Russian counterpart to discuss a possible resolution.

# Use the Universal Language. Join the Metro Photo Challenge 2013

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Change as our photo reporter.

# School suspends student convicted of sexual assault

Saint Mary's University has suspended one of its students after the 24-year-old Halifax man pleaded guilty on Tuesday to sexually assaulting a 14-yearold girl.

Konstanty 'Kostek' Bedoa-Gorski entered a guilty plea during a court appearance Tuesday in Halifax, the CBC reports.

Bedoa-Gorski was the girl's

soccer coach at the time of the incident last fall.

"He has been barred from campus," a release from Saint Mary's University said on Tuesday's following the guilty plea. "A disciplinary hearing will be held as soon as possible."

In court on Tuesday, the CBC reports the judge had released Bedoa-Gorski from custody so he would have time to finish

his semester. His sentencing is scheduled for December.

The south-end Halifax university has been under fire for the past week over a pro-rape chant led by some student representatives during a frosh week event.

"Y is for your sister ... U is for underage, N is for no consent," the group cheered.

PHILIP CROUCHER/METRO IN HALIFAX

# Proposal released for religious-symbols ban

**Quebec.** Details met with widespread and fervent condemnation from political figures

Quebec would become the only jurisdiction in North America to impose a sweeping ban on religious clothing for public employees, including at schools, hospitals and courthouses, under a "Charter of Values" whose details were released Tuesday.

If adopted, the plan would apply to hijabs, kippas, turbans and large crucifixes worn by religious public servants.

It would impose a careeror-faith dilemma on judges, police, and prosecutors; public daycare workers; teachers and school employees; hospital workers; municipal personnel; and employees at state-run liquor stores and the auto-insurance board.

The early reaction suggests the plan will not pass in the current legislature in its present form, which leaves two likely outcomes: It will either be watered down for adoption now or kept intact for later use as an election issue when the Parti Quebecois seeks a majority government.

The minister responsible for the plan presented it as a guarantor of equality within a secular state.

"The time has come to unite us around clear values and common rules," said minister Bernard Drainville. "Quebec is increasingly a multiethnic, multireligious society. This is a great source of richness. It's also why we need clear rules."



'We need clear rules' The plan released Tuesday stems from the pro-independ-

#### ence party's election platform Plan appears a year ago and from a longerterm shift toward identity-polinconsistent

The enormous crucifix on the property above Montreal's Mount Royal will be spared. So will the cross that looms above the legislative chamber. The PQ's logic is that Quebec has a heritage to protect.

Minister Bernard Drainville grappled with questions about other inconsistencies.

Would elected officials be subject to these rules? No, he replied; voters have a right to choose their representative. That means Quebecers could elect a premier with a hijab – who would then force her employees to remove theirs.

What about courtroom witnesses and elected politicians who still swear an oath on the Bible?

'Oh, my God," Drainville replied. "We'll get back to you." THE CANADIAN PRESS

#### Street View

#### **Court confirms** Google goofed by data trawling

Attorneys suing Google for enabling its camera-carrying vehicles to collect emails, passwords, images and documents while photographing neighbourhoods for the search giant's "Street View" maps look forward to resuming their case now that a federal appeals court has ruled in their favour.

The U.S. Court of Appeals in San Francisco said Tuesday that Google went far beyond

listening to accessible radio communication when they drew information from inside people's homes.

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The details were swiftly

The federal government an-

slammed by much of the polit-

nounced that it will seek the

advice of the Department of

Justice and then head to court

if the proposal is deemed to

violate fundamental rights.

Both main Montreal mayoral

candidates also vigorously con-

Google has promised to stop collecting the data and said that collecting data from public Wi-Fi networks in more than 30 countries was inadvertent but not illegal.

"Even if it is commonplace for members of the general public to connect to a neighbour's unencrypted Wi-Fi network, members of the general public do not typically mistakenly intercept, store, and decode data transmitted by other devices," wrote the three-judge panel. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### Picking Mr. Right

#### Do modest gonads mean better dads?

Men with smaller testicles appear to be better fathers to toddlers, according to new research.

They are more likely to be involved in hands-on care, anthropologists at Emory University have found.

Their research, published in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, also found that smaller testicular volumes correlate with more nurturing-related brain activity in fathers as they are looking at photos of

their own children.

"Our data suggests that the biology of human males reflects a trade-off between investments in mating versus parenting efforts," says Emory anthropologist James Rilling, whose lab conducted the research.

Previous research has shown that lower levels of testosterone in men correlate with greater paternal involvement and higher levels correlate with divorce and polygamy.

But testes volume is more highly correlated with sperm count and quality than with testosterone levels.

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# Ponder before you puff. Pot can trigger psychosis in those prone to it: Study

A national study on pot use and psychosis released by the Schizophrenia Society of Canada (SSC) on Tuesday shows the drug can trigger and worsen psychosis in young people already prone to the psychiatric disorder.

The research is part of an SSC project funded by Health Canada that aims to give young people pause before they light their first joint. "Hopefully it'll inform kids as to whether or not

to use cannabis based on a knowledge of their family's (mental-health) history," explained SSC CEO Chris Sum-

"Does marijuana specifically in and by itself cause a mental illness? No. But does it make your risk greater? Yes."

Summerville said past research has shown young people who are already vulnerable to psychosis are four to seven times more likely to become ill.

The recently completed four-year study, led by Dr.

According to the Schizophrenic Society of Canada. scientists think cannabis can cause psychosis because it interrupts neurotransmitters, like dopamine, which can interfere with the brain's communication systems.

Katherine Boydell at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children, saw 28 young people who had both used pot and experienced psychosis chosen as research assistants to lead interviews, focus groups and workshops with 50 other young people with similar experiences.

Participants used their experiences to create educational videos that are now on YouTube, and the research was used to create an interactive e-learning component that can be found at cannabisandpsychosis.ca. SHANE GIBSON/METRO

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# Apple covers off high and low ends with dual iPhone launch

**Sept. 20 release.** 5C aims for cheap and cheerful, while 5S aims to set 'gold standard'

Apple's latest iPhones will come in a bevy of colours and two distinct designs, one made of plastic and the other that aims to be "the gold standard of smartphones" and reads your fingerprint.

Apple unveiled the latest iPhone models, available on Sept. 20 in Canada and many other countries, during an event at its Cupertino, Calif., headquarters. The move comes as rival phones from Samsung and other manufacturers are challenging Apple's hold on the smartphone market.

The lower-cost iPhone 5C will be available in five colours—green, blue, yellow, pink and white. It has a four-inch retina display and is powered by

#### Pricing

- The iPhone 5C will cost \$99 US for a 16 GB model and \$199 US for a 32 GB model with a two-year contract in the U.S.
- The second phone, the 5S, is "the most forward-looking phone we have ever created," said Phil Schiller, senior vice-president at Apple. It will cost \$199 US for a 16 GB model, \$299 US for 32 GB and \$399 US for 64 GB with a two-year contract in the U.S.

Apple's A6 chip. It also has an eight-megapixel camera, live photo filters and a rear cover that lights up.

Apple also said its next mobile operating system, iOS 7, will be available as a free download on Sept. 18.

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Apple CEO Tim Cook speaks about the new iPhone during a product announcement on Tuesday in Cupertino, Calif. The company launched two new iPhone models that will run iOS 7. The 5C is made from a hard-coated polycarbonate and comes in five colours. The 5S comes in three colours — silver, gold and "space grey" — and features a fingerprint sensor, an upgraded camera and an A7 chip. Justin Sullivan/Getty IMAGES

#### One-per-centers

#### Income gap in U.S. hits record

The income gap between the richest one per cent and the rest of America widened to a record last year. The top one per cent of U.S. earners collected 19.3 per cent of household income in 2012, their largest share in Internal Revenue Service figures going back a century. U.S. income inequality has been growing for almost three decades.

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# **Telecom.** Open industry to foreign players: Bell CEO

Foreign investment restrictions should be lifted for big telecom companies to allow the market to decide how many wireless competitors Canada can support, Bell CEO George Cope said Tuesday.

"There's nothing to be afraid of. Bring the competition on," Cope told the annual BMO media and telecom conference.

Big telecoms such as Bell, Telus and Rogers are restricted under federal rules from being more than 33-per-cent foreign owned, while small players

#### Quoted

"There's nothing to be afraid of. Bring the competition on."

**Bell CEO George Cope,** speaking at an annual media and telecom conference

with less than 10-per-cent market share have no limits.

The change in rules were a move by the federal government to increase competition in the sector. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Plastic pounds. BoE mulls replacing paper banknotes

Britain is pondering plastic pounds. The Bank of England is considering replacing paper money with polymer banknotes which are billed as cleaner, stronger and more secure.

The bank said Tuesday it will hold a public consultation, bringing samples of plastic money to shopping centres so that members of the public can feel the difference.

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# RAPE NOT ONE OF THE THREE R'S

So much for higher education.

Here's what school spirit sounds like in 2013: "Y is for your sister"; "O is for oh-so-tight"; "U is for underage"; "N is for no consent" and "G is for go to jail."

That now-infamous rape chant was an integral part of Frosh Week at the UBC Sauder School of Business and (a similar version at) Saint Mary's University in Halifax this year, and who knows where else - a version was featured in Yale's hallowed Ivy League halls a couple of years ago.

Make no mistake, this chant was led by student leaders. Apparently, that's what "student leader" means. Someone who will lead your kids down the garden path and make them think that raping female children is just frosh hijinks, along

with chugging quarts of beer or setting fire to your under-

**Paul Sullivan** 

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So parents, you might ask your own freshmen what's on their frosh agenda. Not that they'll tell you, if this is any indication of what they're up to.

You might not believe it if you hadn't seen the video of fresh-faced young men AND women gleefully joining the chant at Saint Mary's. Thanks to social media, there aren't as many dark corners as there used to be. Or, more accurately, the corners are still dark; they're just more likely to be exposed.

The grown-ups allegedly in charge at UBC and Saint Mary's are behaving like deer caught in the headlights. Applying feverish damage control: Lots of public declarations of chagrin,

frosh week funding cuts, inquiries and demands for the resignations of the bozos responsible. We'll give them the benefit of the doubt, but let's not be naïve. At Saint Mary's at least, the chant is a tradition. It's been going on for 10 years.

They're all so surprised the student body has fleas. Maybe it's an honest surprise, not just a butt-covering surprise, but they're too quick, IMHO, to characterize the rape chant as an aberration; something wicked that crept in the back door that somehow hijacked otherwise morally-upright kids.

This from the Sauder school dean Robert Helsley: "I couldn't believe it. It's so inconsistent with everything we try to teach our students, and inconsistent with our student body. They are incredibly bright, energetic young people who want to make a positive contribution to society."

Right. Campus Jungle 101: Who wants to be the Lord of the

Let me put this to every member of the student body: You're only as strong as your weakest link. If you dismiss this as the work of a few harmless troglodytes, just remember that's your sister they're braying about.

#### **ZOOM**

### Darling, it's better under the sea



#### Alpine park turns into water world

For one month of the year in the Alps, a green meadow is transformed into a underwater world by the melting snow of the mountains.

At the Green Lake in Tragoess, Austria, visitors trade hiking boots for scuba diving gear to explore the flooded park. Marc Henauer from Perly, Switzerland, visited the park with his wife and snapped the mesmerizing views of the area.

#### Photographer's view



"It felt like I was swimming in a magical world it was so

beautiful. Swimming over the green grass, rocks and trees, it was like being in a fairy tale."

Marc Henauer, 39, scuba diver and photographer from Perly, Switzerland

#### Awesome thaw

- Lake in depth. Twelve metres of water is how deep the Green Lake becomes after snow thaws and water submerges the surrounding grass, trees and park benches. In the autumn and winter the lagoon in the park is normally only one metre deep.
- Green water. The lake's distinctive green hue is the result of the chlorophyllrich grass and foliage

#### While in France a lake turns red

This Austrian water park is not the only unusual yet natural lake phenomenon in Europe.

A lake in Camargue in southern France turns red thanks to an interaction between the water's high salt content and microorganisms. Salt-loving micro-algae called Dunaliella salina feed on the crystals, producing a reddish pink pigment. METRO





**ANDREW FIFIFLD** 

So the curtain was lifted on the newest iPhone Tuesday, which means the iPhone users among us are looking at our still-amazing pieces of technology with at least a little disdain. Rekindle that old flame with some new games.

#### Giant Boulder Of Death:

Somewhat surprisingly, Adult Swim has become one of the App Store's most dependable publishers, a streak that continues with this destructive take on the Katamari series. Take control of a romantically jilted boulder and create as much chaos as possible while rolling toward revenge. Hugely fun and totally free. (iOS/Free)

#### **Warhammer Quest:**

A dungeon-crawler adaptation of the classic tabletop strategy game that tasks you with killing everything standing in your way as you move from settlement to settle

Twitter

**@metropicks asked: Apple un**veiled a new iPhone + improved iOS. What would you have liked to see in the new gadget?

**@PXAbstraction:** Something bevond a spec bump, an (even) uglier iOS and a fingerprint scanner everyone will turn off after a week.

ment. Simple sounding stuff, sure, but the gameplay is deep enough to carry it. However, leaving the development of your characters at the mercy of random dice rolls can be a bit of a drag. (iOS/\$4.99)

#### Ninjin:

The ninja rabbit simulator you've been waiting for has finally arrived. Equip yourself with an arsenal of unique weapons and lace together combos while putting the boots to a wide variety of enemies in a wildly fun sidescrolling beat 'em up. The demo is free, so what's the harm in trying? (iOS/\$0.99)

@eh\_c: Bundle with fedora, skinny jeans, and Ray-Bans.

@BrianBlatnicki: Simple. Give it killer battery life!!!

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**SCENE** 

# Le Cosa Nostra not so serious

**New movies.** From killers to killers of comedy, the gangster movie genre bends to both sides of the spectrum but never breaks



**FOCUS** 

serious mafia everv drama like Carlito's Way, there is another film that doesn't take the La Cosa Nostra as seriously.

Gangster comedies like The Gang That Couldn't Shoot Straight and Some Like It Hot are early examples of gangland gigglers.

This weekend Robert De Niro, who won an Oscar playing Vito Corleone in The Godfather: Part II, and Michelle Pfeiffer, who played a gangster's moll in Scarface, team up for The Family, a darkly comedic mafia movie.

The film also features Sopranos star Dominic "Junior Soprano" Chianese and Vincent "Big Pussy" Pastore in a story about notorious crime family the Manzoni's, who find themselves relocated to Normandy, France as part of the witness protection program. Trouble is, they have some difficulty blending in with the locals.

This isn't the first time De Niro has played his tough guy



image for laughs. In Analyze This and its sequel Analyze That, he's Paul Vitti, a mob boss who suffers from panic attacks.

To help him through he hires psychiatrist Dr. Ben Sobel (Billy Crystal).

"What is my goal here?" asks the doctor. "To make you a happy, well-adjusted gang-

The first movie was a big both commercially and critically, but the second

one didn't fare as well. Roger Ebert wrote, "what seemed like a clever idea the first time feels like a retread the second."

In The Whole Nine Yards former hit man Jimmy the Tulip has trouble adapting to life on the right side of the

As played by Bruce Willis he's in hiding after ratting out members of Chicago's deadly Gogolak gang.

When his identity is dis-

covered by his neighbour (Matthew Perry) Jimmy has to reluctantly revert to old habits to survive.

"It's not important how many people I've killed," he says. "What's important is how I get along with the people who are still alive."

Ŷears before Pride and Prejudice and Zombies became an unexpected literary hit, Hollywood co-opted the marquee value of Jane Austin's name. Director Jim Abrahams of Naked Gun and Top Secret fame looked to the underworld for the inspiration of Jane Austin's Mafia.

A spoof movie that draws heavily on Martin Scorsese's Casino (and not so much on Austin's oeuvre) it marked Lloyd Bridges' last appearance on the big screen, playing a Mafia godfather.

The flick is a quick watch. It runs for a scant 84 minutes, six of which are taken up



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#### There will be no Glee in Lynch's divorce

Apparently Jane Lynch's divorce from Lara Embry will be an expensive one, as the Glee star is reportedly being asked to pay more than \$90,000 per month in spousal support to Embry for an annual total of \$1.1 million, according to TMZ.

A document filed last week lists monthly expenses including \$12,000 for entertainment, \$5,000 for charitable donations and \$4,500 for meals at restaurants, though \$59,909 of the amount requested is meant to go toward "unknown" expenses. The pair separated earlier this summer after three years of marriage. Lynch seems OK with the development, at least, telling a photographer outside a West Hollywood café,

"I think it's the law, isn't it? I think it's the law, so I go with the law."

### METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

#### The Word

#### Demi Lovato's all a-Twitter this year with two book deals



THE WORD Dorothy Robinson scene@metronews.c

Demi Lovato's tweets are being turned into a book, the Macmillan imprint Feiwel and Friends announced on Monday.

"Staying Strong: 365 Days a Year will be a powerful 365 day collection of Demi's most honest, brave and hopeful insights," the press release states.

"Here are her own words,



with quotes that inspire her, as well as personal reflections and goals. This is a book for everyone, everywhere, on their own journey who need comfort, inspiration and a reason every day to stay strong."

The book will be available on Nov. 19 with a Spanish edition, titled Se Fuerte: 365 Dias Al Ano on Dec. 3.

A memoir by the singer and actress is also in the works.

Lovato is taking over all media in 2013, it seems. In addition to working on this two-book deal, she'll be judging The X Factor, as well as appearing on Glee this fall. The singer and actress will play a love interest for ex-cheerleader Santana.

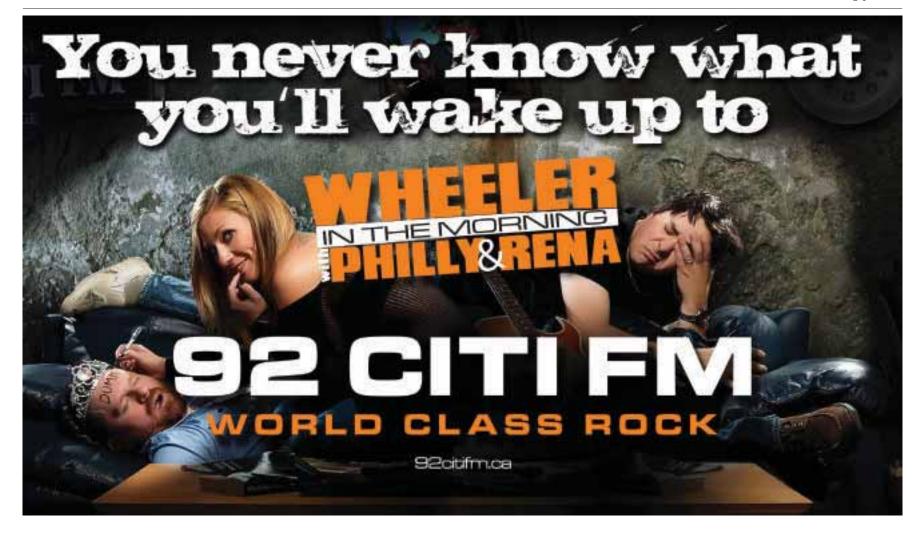
"She's playing my love interest, so I'm very, very excited about that. We get to sing a song together," Naya Rivera, who plays Santana, told MTV.



#### Franco flattered by gay jokes at roast

James Franco wasn't bothered by all the gay jokes hurled his way at his recent Comedy Central roast. In fact, he welcomes them.

"Bring on the gay jokes," he tells the Daily Beast. "Because these aren't insults at all. I don't even care if people think I'm gay, so it was like, awesome! I mean, I wish I was... I wish I was gay."



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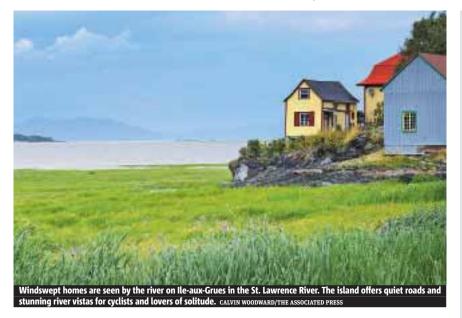
# I would not bike 3,000 miles

Just to be the person who did the entire corridor. You're better off choosing a smaller chunk when cycling Quebec's La Route Verte

Quebec's 3,000-mile bicycle network, La Route Verte, has attracted plenty of buzz since National Geographic named it the world's top cycling destination in 2007. But who's got time for 3,000 miles? Most cyclists will want to plan a trip for a few days or a week, and that takes, well, legwork.

That legwork unfolded over months and included scrolling through goofily translated French-to-English web pages in search of useful information. It culminated with rides on two distinct routes in late summer: the P'tit Train du Nord (Little Train of the North) rail trail, running for more than 160 km north of Montreal; and a staggeringly beautiful stretch along the St. Lawrence River from Quebec City east toward the Gaspe Peninsula. This route is also a compelling trip by car.

Route Verte, or green way, is a carefully managed network of off-road trails, dedicated bike lanes and quiet country roads, sometimes linked by moderately busy roadways with decent shoulders — nothing too hair-raising. Its routes have shuttle services, and accredited establishments are obliged to offer healthy, hearty food, safe storage for bikes and



#### The green way is the easy way

#### It's about as close to being coddled as self-supported cycling gets.

access to repairs and shelter. Inspectors come around to check on that. It's about as close to being coddled as self-supported cycling gets.

The P'tit Train du Nord journey went down smooth and easy — call it the milk chocolate dip. About half is paved; the rest is fine-crushed stone. Towns pop up where you need them as you sweep past placid lakes, rushing waters and mixed stands of hardwood and softwood forest.

The St. Lawrence is more intense, an explosion of garden flowers, wildflowers, dramatic river vistas, commanding churches in storybook villages and gastronomic adventures. Call it the Classique Noir dip of the ice cream shop.

In both areas, it's hit and miss trying to converse in English in small towns or rural areas, though easier in cities and at tourist attractions. But efforts by visitors to try even a bit of tortured

French are welcomed.

So is Quebec worthy of the world's best biking destination?

The Little Train of the North pulls its weight as an enticing bike trail, probably better than the St. Lawrence for families and anyone who doesn't want to mess with a single car while on the bike. For American cyclists, though, there are equally terrific rail trails that may be closer to home.

Route Verte 1, however, is surely in a league of its own. Its farther reaches will be what draw cyclists back, with a pit stop, of course, for ice cream, if the poutine do the trick first.

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#### A tail of two routes

- P'tit Train du Nord (Route Verte 2). Get off at the shuttle at Lac-Saguay, 20 miles short of Mont Laurier, to do the trail in two days. A gentle downhill slope, pavement and well-spaced amenities makes for an easy 40-plus miles on the first day. The route is lined with pristine wooden outhouses. Yep, outhouses. If you can, check out L'Achillee Millefeuille, a bed and breakfast in La Conception where, for \$5, the proprietor will drive guests to Mont Tremblant and retrieve them a few hours later. On day two, aim for 60 miles of cycling. Expect a climb spanning 10 miles.
- Quebec City to Saint-Jean-Port-Joli (part of Route Verte 1). A three-hour drive from Saint-Jerome will put you in Levis, with time to visit Quebec City across the river. A \$5 ferry provides an efficient and scenic way to reach Old Quebec and its astonishing architecture, murals and shops — no car necessary. Levis has a few charms of its own. A paved riverside path looking out on Quebec City provides two lanes for cyclists and one for pedestrians. In the testy . world of biker-walker relations, this is the height of civilization.

# High in protein, low in price



**NUTRI-BITES** DHN. RNCP

Proving it's cheap to eat well, deliciously, simply and healthy should be the job of a superhero. But, in the absence of her, here goes.

This soup takes mere minutes to assemble, less than 30 to simmer and provides 17 grams of protein, 78 per cent of your fibre for the day and only 350 calories per serving. The tea biscuits round it out to a hearty meal.

It's Wonder Soup Woman!

- 1. In a very large pot, heat butter over medium heat and add onions, cook 4 min to
- 2. Stir in lentils, potatoes and carrots. Add broth and water;

#### • 2 tsp butter (\$0.06)

- 1 small onion, chopped (\$0.88)
- 2 cups lentils (\$0.98)
- 2 small red potatoes, chopped (\$0.75)
- 2 carrots, chopped (\$0.25)
- 1 litre broth (\$2)
- 6 cups water
- 2 tsp dried basil (\$0.06)
- 2 cups tomato juice (\$1.25)
- 3 tbsp molasses (\$0.25)
- 3/4 cup white wine optional
- Total\$7.48/ per serving \$0.94

#### Biscuits

- 1 tbsp lemon juice (\$0.22)
- 2.5 cups milk (\$0.66)
- 3 cups all-purpose flour (\$0.50)
- 1 cup whole wheat flour (\$0.25)
- 3 tbsp baking powder (\$0.20)
- 1/2 tsp sea salt (\$0.01) 1 tsp\_dried basil (\$0.05)
- 1 cup wheat germ (\$0.30)
- 1/2 cup butter (\$0.50)
- Total \$2.44/ per serving (2 biscuits) \$0.20

#### Eat cheap (and healthy)

The past three Wednesdays, Metro's Theresa Albert has served up easy to make and healthy recipes that are perfect for families or starving students. Don't forget to look for the final recipes in the series on Sept. 18.

reduce heat to simmer 20 min. Add basil, salt, pepper, tomato juice, molasses and wine if using. Bring to simmer. Cover, simmer 5 min.

#### Wheat Germ and Herb Tea **Biscuits**

- 1. Preheat oven to 425. F.
- 2. Stir lemon juice into milk
- **3.** Stir flours, baking powder, salt, basil and wheat germ together. Cut in butter with knives and mash with a fork until the dough looks like peas. Start with 2 cups of milk to make a stiff dough and work it together into a

#### Sweet Lentil Soup



ball. Do not over work. Add more liquid as needed.

**4.** Roll out and use a cookie cutter or inverted juice glass to cut small rounds.

Bake on a cookie sheet for 10-15 minutes until lightly

#### Drink of the Week

#### **Grey Goose Entre**

Hang on to summer as long as you can with this delicious combination of Grey Goose vodka and exotic guava juice.

- 1.25 oz Grey Goose La Poire Vodka
- 1.7 5 oz guava juice
- .25 oz freshly squeezed lemon juice, strained
- 1 bar spoon of simple syrup
- 1 bar spoon of Maraschino
- 1 dash of Angostura Bitters
- .5 oz flat water

Add all the ingredients to a shaker with cubed ice and shake hard. Strain into a chilled coupette and finish with a twist of



# When being a tart is delicious

- 1. Crust: In large bowl whisk flour and salt. Add chilled olive oil and using fork, mix until oil is incorporated and mixture is consistency of small peas. Add ice water and mix until dough has just formed. Shaped into a 6-inch disk, wrap tightly in plastic wrap and refrigerate for at least 1 hour.
- 2. Meanwhile, prepare filling. Position oven rack in middle of oven. Heat oven to 375 F. Coat large baking sheet with olive oil cooking spray.
- **3.** Mist eggplant rounds with cooking spray, then season both sides of each slice with salt and pepper. Arrange eggplant slices in single layer on prepared baking sheet. Bake 30 minutes, or until soft and golden brown. Remove from the oven and set aside.
- 4. While eggplant cooks, in a large saucepan over medium, heat olive oil. Add onions and sauté until softened and translucent, about 5 minutes. Stir in 1 teaspoon salt and the thyme, then reduce heat to low. Cook, stirring occasionally so the onions don't burn, until very soft and browned, about another 30 minutes. Stir in the vinegar and remove from heat.



**5.** Mist 11-inch springform tart and press it into the pan. pan with cooking spray.

**6.** On a clean, floured surface using a floured rolling pin, roll the chilled dough into a 13inch circle. Transfer dough to tart pan and fold in and press together overhanging dough to build up edges. If dough tears or breaks, simply piece it together

7. Spread onion mixture in an even layer over bottom of tart. Add even layer of eggplant. Top with tomato slices arranged in an overlapping circular pattern. Spray the top of the tart with olive oil cooking spray, then season with salt and pepper.

#### For the crust

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tsp kosher salt
- 1/2 cup extra-virgin olive oil, chilled in the freezer for 1 hour • 4 tbsp ice water

#### For the filling

- Olive oil cooking spray
- 1 3/4 lbs small eggplants, peel and cut into 1/2-inch-thick rounds
- Kosher salt and ground black pepper
- 2 tbsp extra-virgin olive oil
- 4 cups thinly sliced red onions (about 3 large)
- 1/2 tsp dried thyme . 1 tbsp balsamic vinegar
- 4 heirloom tomatoes (multiple colours), cut into
- 1/4-inch-thick slices • Fresh basil leaves, to garnish

**8.** Bake until crust is golden and tomatoes are slightly browned, 45 minutes. Remove from oven and cool on a rack. Remove the outer ring of the pan and transfer the tart to a serving plate. Slice into 8 wedges and serve warm, at room temperature or chilled. Serve garnished with torn basil leaves. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# **Dessert.** Date and Honey Zucchini Bread



- Set rack in centre of oven. Heat oven to 350 F. Mist Bundt pan with baking spray.
- 2. In bowl, whisk both flours, baking powder, baking soda, salt, cinnamon and nutmeg.
- 3. In bowl, whisk eggs until well beaten. Stir in honey, oil and vanilla, then fold in zuc-
- **4.** Add dry ingredients and chopped dates to zucchini mixture. Stir just until dry ingredients just moisten. Do not over
- **5.** Pour batter into prepared bundt pan. Bake until toothpick inserted at centre of loaf comes out clean and dry, 50 to 60 minutes. Let cool in pan 10

minutes, then turn out onto a wire rack to cool completely. Serve warm. The associated press

- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour, plus more for dusting the pan
- 1 1/2 cups white whole-wheat
- flour
   1 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1 tsp kosher salt
- 1 1/2 tsp cinnamon • 3/4 tsp ground nutmeg
- 3 eggs
- 1 cup honey
- 1 cup vegetable oil
- 2 tsp vanilla extract
- 2 cups packed shredded zucchini (not peeled)
- 1 cup coarsely chopped medjool dates

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# How many ways can you say employed?

**At work.** Knowing other languages in a country like Canada can give you a great advantage

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Did you know that around 20

per cent of Canada's population speak a language at home that's neither French nor English? That's nearly 6.6 million people who are comfortable interacting with others in one of more than 200 non-official languages.

Being bilingual or multilingual in a culturally diverse country like Canada can open countless doors for you while

job hunting. Make those skills immediately visible on your resumé (for example, mention it in your job objective)!

Don't have another language under your belt? There's always time to learn! You could sign up for night classes, or even teach yourself via a book or computer pro-

If you still need some con-

vincing about the value of language in the workplace, then check out these five industries where a second (or third, or fourth) language can help you hatch your career:

#### Health care

Health care is a stable field to work in, since it's a pretty important service. Having the use of an alternate language will make you an asset to any health-care team and will also position you to work on the administrative side of things anywhere in the country.

POTENTIAL JOBS: REGISTERED NURSE, PARAMEDIC, PHARMACIST, MEDICAL RE-

Whether you're at a hotel or resort, or are up at 30,000 feet in a plane, getting away from it all can go from a relaxing idea to a frustrating experience if there are communication barriers.

Speaking multiple lan-guages is a skill that could make you indispensable to a hospitality or travel team.

Plus, the opportunity to explore new places isn't a bad job perk.

POTENTIAL JOBS: RESORT MANAGER, AIRLINE STEWARD/STEWARDESS, FRONT DESK REPRESENTATIVE

#### **Education**

Since you're lucky enough to have a skill that is invaluable in many situations, why not impart some of this knowledge to those with a desire to learn it?

Education is an extremely rewarding career path. Your contributions could someone hatch a career.

POTENTIAL JOBS: CURRICULUM SPE-CIALIST, ESL INSTRUCTOR, GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

#### **Customer service**

Providing customer service will be much more effective if both parties can communicate clearly.

Being bilingual or multilingual will allow you to serve a greater number of customers, which will give your company a greater scope of potential clients — something that will definitely please both your employer and your customers.

POTENTIAL JOBS: SALES CLERK, CUS-TOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE, HOST OR HOSTESS

#### **Social services**

Social service covers a huge range of work and includes dedicated work with those in need. In this field, it's critical to eliminate as many language barriers as possible to ensure that every client's unique needs are being met.

POTENTIAL JOBS: CHILD WELFARE WORKER, SUBSTANCE ABUSE WORKER, SOCIAL WORK ADMINISTRATOR

A job that allows you to put your bilingual or multilingual skills to work can be a rewarding and exciting direction for your career. Next time you're job hunting, pay close attention to those seeking candidates with additional language skills.

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#### MLB

#### Trumbo, Angels bash Blue Jays

Josh Hamilton drove in four runs and Mark Trumbo had a career-best five hits and equalled a club record with four extra-base hits on Tuesday as the Los Angeles Angels defeated the Toronto Blue Jays 12-6.

Trumbo hit three doubles, a single and a solo home run to drive in two runs and Hamilton had two singles and a solo home run as the Angels snapped a six-game winning streak by left-hander Mark Buehrle (11-8).

Trumbo became the first Angels player with five hits and five runs in one game.

Erick Aybar also hit a solo homer and Chris Iannetta hit a two-run homer as the Angels (68-76) stopped a two-game slide.

Anthony Gose hit his first career grand slam and Rajai Davis hit a solo homer for the Blue Jays (67-77), who had won their previous three games and 10 of 13. THE CANADIAN PRESS

#### Olympics

#### Bach next in line as IOC president

Longtime favourite Thomas Bach was elected president of the International Olympic Committee on Tuesday, keeping the powerful sports body in European hands.

Bach, a 59-year-old German lawyer, succeeds Jacques Rogge, the Belgian who is stepping down after 12 years.

Bach defeated five candidates in the secret balloting. He received 49 votes in the second round to secure a winning majority. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



# Bombers leaning heavily on defence

**CFL.** Burke looking for a repeat performance of Sunday's win when his team squares off against the Eskimos

With an offence still feeling its way, the Winnipeg Blue Bombers know they need another strong defensive performance this Saturday when they face the Edmonton Eskimos.

They blitzed and batered the Saskatchewan Roughriders last Sunday and emerged with their first home win at their new stadium and just their second victory of the season.

Riders quarterback Darian Durant was sacked eight times but the Blue Bombers' offence was largely ineffective until late in the 25-13 victory. Coach Tim Burke said they're expecting a battle this week and won't underestimate the 1-9 Eskimos in the slightest.

"I think they're in the same boat we are," he said Tuesday. "They've competed with good teams ... and they want to get over the hump on

that, but I think they feel they can play with anybody."

He also said the Eskimos present different challenges.

"Their offence is starting to really get going now. I mean they're putting up a lot of yards and they're putting up a lot of points."

The Bombers have scored the fewest points and given up the most in the league.

Justin Goltz will start again at quarterback for Winnipeg. Max Hall and Jason Boltus will serve as backups since Buck Pierce was traded to the B.C. Lions last week.

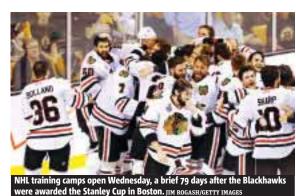
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#### Players of the week

Bombers defensive back Demond Washington was named the league's top defensive player for the week and running back Will Ford earned the specialteams nod.

 Washington racked up seven tackles, two special teams tackles, and one sack while Ford returned two kickoffs for 118 yards, including a 98-yard touchdown return.

### Summer's over, now get ready for camp



For hockey players, time is relative.

The Pittsburgh Penguins getting swept out of the playoffs has Evgeni Malkin itching to get back on the ice with his teammates.

"I miss hockey," he said.
"It's (a) long summer."

Yet it's actually the NHL's shortest summer in recent history. Training camps open around the league Wednesday, just 79 days after the Chicago Blackhawks wrapped up the lockout-shortened 2013 season by winning the Stanley Cup.

"I think for us, it's a short off-season but we're excited to go back to camp and be together with a team again, get things started and just get back to our daily job as hockey players," Blackhawks captain Jonathan Toews said last week.

Condensing a 48-game regular season starting mid-January made for a June 24 ending. The draft and free agency came and went in a blur.

Blackhawks players got to celebrate with a parade and now must shift focus to the

business of trying to repeat their win. For players from the runner-up Boston Bruins and everyone else, preparations for training camp have been underway for a while.

It doesn't seem to matter that the off-season was so brief.

"From how you prepare for a season I don't think it has any effect," Winnipeg Jets left-winger Andrew Ladd said. "I think you would always usually come into town a couple weeks early and skate with the guys and start preparing for the season." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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# The 2014 Kia Cadenza



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**Review.** Kia ditches its features list to finally dote on the all-importants like style, feel and personality

#### MALCOLM GUNN

It's obvious that picking a new Cadenza is supposed to be a no-brainer decision. Not that you won't want to examine it thoroughly before your purchase, but with a generous amount of built-in luxury and convenience hardware/ software, picking your colour scheme just might be the only scheming you have to do.

The Cadenza's introduction is a significant one for Hyundai's subsidiary. The brand that once sold mainly small cars and wagons to younger, first-time buyers, has gradually expanded its lineup to include a variety of smartly styled vehicles that look nothing like their Hyundai counterparts.

The Cadenza is a prime example of this philosophy. It's similar in size to, and shares the same stretched architecture as the Hyundai Azera, a model sold only in the U.S. However Kia design boss Peter Schreyer (a rock star in the automotive design world) has taken a totally unique approach in shaping the Cadenza's sheetmetal. His efforts have yielded a subtlelooking sedan that conveys a greater sense of class and polish than the Azera with its trendier looks. Clearly the Cadenza is Kia's attempt to gain favour with more mature buyers who place pampering con-

- •Type. Four-door, front-wheeldrive mid-size luxury sedan
- •Engines (hp). 3.3-litre DOHC
- •Transmissions. Six-speed automatic
- •Base price (incl. destination) \$39,400

tent on their must-have list. Pushing the starter button

engages a 3.3-litre V6 with 293

horsepower and 255 poundfeet of torque and connected to

that V6 is a six-speed automatic transmission with steering-

wheel-mounted paddle shifters.

seems to be geared for older

buyers, the car's "sport-tuned"

suspension is somewhat firmer than that of some of its com-

petitors, but still returns a good

ride without a lot of clattering

from underneath. The electric

power-steering rack is respon-

sive and tends to skitter around

the highway much less than in

550-watt Infinity sound system.

Cadenza Premium

Although the Cadenza

#### Premium package

Premium adds safety content such as blind-spot and lane-departure warning systems and smart cruise control that keeps a safe distance from the vehicle in front. The package also includes 19-inch wheels plus what Kia calls hydrophobic front side windows that repel water, which is handy on rainy days.

#### Fuel Economy

Pulling away from a stop, the powerplant balks at being pushed too hard, likely in the interests of maintaining its city fuelconsumption rating of 11.2 1/100 km and the highway figure of 7.4. When you're rolling, it gathers itself up quickly and pushes you back in the seat with ease.

#### Interior design

The interior design work is low-key, but is right in step with most luxury-oriented models. The hardware and trim are first-rate and the big and round gauges are easy to read. There's no shortage of dashboard and steering-wheel switches and buttons to fiddle with, but at least they're clearly

some other rides with similar adds a panoramic sunroof, The base Cadenza with its power rear sunshade, heated out-the-door price of \$39,400 steering wheel, front and rear (less taxes) piles on the goodies heated seats with upgraded with a leather-fitted interior, soft-leather covers, electronic 10-way power-adjustable drivparking brake and a powerer's seat and dual-zone climate tilt-and-telescoping wheel. Unfortunately, the Cacontrol with front and rear-seat ventilation. There's also a navidenza cannot be ordered with all-wheel-drive, but since it isn't gation system with eight-inch touch-screen display, rear camoffered on any Hyundai/Kia era with backup warning and a

brushes up against the \$45,000

mark. That means it's now trespassing on territory staked out by the bigger rear-wheel-drive Hyundai Genesis as well as a number of other established luxury sedans. That probably won't bother Kia's buyers who will see the Cadenza as an honest, straightforward luxury car, minus the pretense and posturing of competing marques.

And that makes it a nobrainer in every sense of the





Toyota Avalon **1**Base price: \$38,500



Buick LaCrosse
Base price: \$39,600



Nissan Maxima **3**Base price: \$39,600



sedan, that's no surprise.

Fully optioned, the Cadenza

# When life gives you lemons, sell them

**Autopilot.** Gloomy writer Vonnegut's reallife tale of him selling Saabs in the '60s was a joy to read



AUTO PILOT Mike Goetz drive@metronews.ca

I just love it when a great author "goes automotive." Kurt Vonnegut does so on occasion in his 2005 collection of essays, A Man Without a Country, which I re-read last weekend.

It's dark stuff. He is very critical of the human race, and not too optimistic about our future, but he always delivers his news with such humour and elegant prose that you want him to keep going — keep telling us why we suck so much.

Consider this rant: "Evolution can go to hell as

far as I am concerned. What a mistake we are. We have mortally wounded this sweet life-supporting planet — the only one in the whole Milky Way — with a century of transportation whoopee."

Ouch. I'm a deep practitioner of this kind of whoopee. So are a lot of other people.

But he kind of used to be one of us. Kind of. I didn't know Vonnegut used to be the owner and manager of an automobile dealership until I read his essay, I Used to be the Owner and Manager of an Automobile Dealership.

This was back in the 1960s, and he sold Saabs. He didn't think much of them.

"Unlike other cars, but like your lawn mower and outboard, it had a two-stroke rather than a four-stroke engine. So every time you filled your gas, you had to pour in a can of oil as well. For whatever reason, straight women did not want to do this."

Even if straight women did this, the oil and gas thing presented problems whenever you left your Saab parked for



a length of time.

"The oil would separate from the gas and sink like molasses to the bottom of the tank," writes Vonnegut. "So when you started up again, you would lay down a smokescreen like a destroyer in a navel engagement.

"And I actually blacked out the whole town of Woods Hole at high noon that way, having left a Saab in the park-



ing lot there for about a week. I am told old timers there still wonder out loud where all the smoke could have come from."

In all the essays in this book Vonnegut is either bemoaning what people have done or become, or joking about it, or explaining why jokes are necessary.

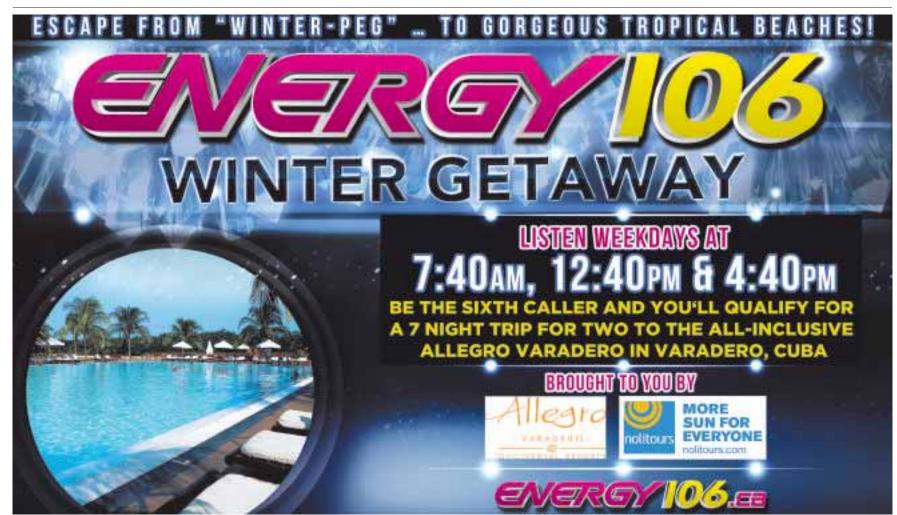
He believes humour and art are how a lot of us cope

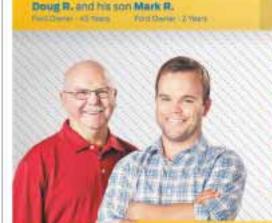
and/or rail against fear, noting that most great works of literature "are all about what a bummer it is to be a human being."

It's Vonnegut's genius to simultaneously make the reader feel bummed out about human beings, but also proud of being one at the same time.

Consider this excerpt about when he was a POW

in Dresden during the Second World War: "While we were being bombed in Dresden, sitting in a cellar with our arms over our heads in case the ceiling fell, one soldier said as though he were a duchess in a mansion on a cold and rainy night, 'I wonder what the poor people are doing tonight.' Nobody laughed, but we were still all glad he said it."





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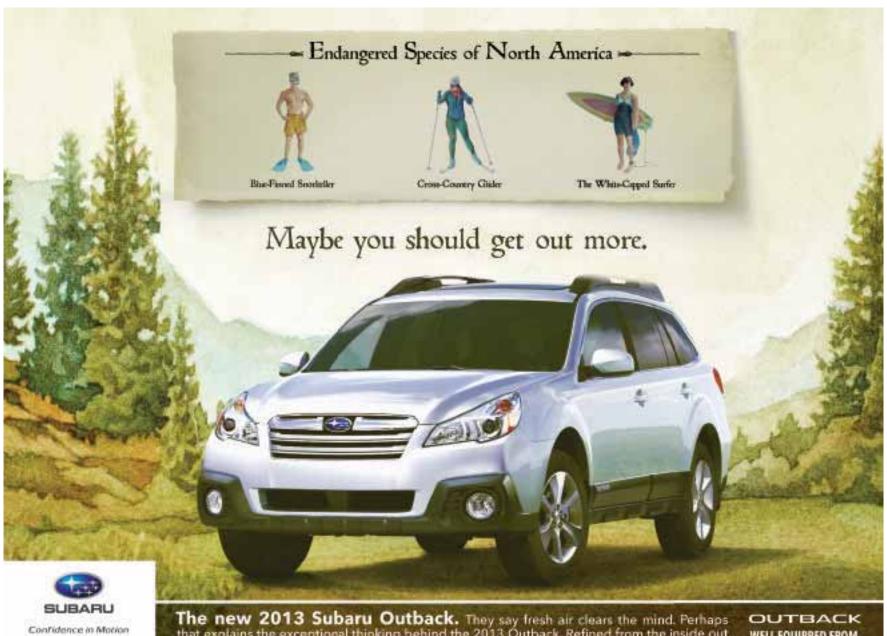


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#### T Aries

March 21 - April 20

You can charm the birds out of the trees today, but your long-term interests would be better served if you charm a wage rise out of your boss. Make sure you know your own value, and make sure you get it.

#### **Taurus** April 21 - May 21

If you let others make decisions for you today, their efforts are likely to fall short of what you require. Whatever tasks come your way, do them yourself.

#### II Gemini May 22 - June 21

The challenges coming your way may be tough but you have what it takes to make the best of them, by getting the best from yourself.

#### **9** Cancer June 22 - July 23

If you need to enlist other people's help then speak up. As Venus moves into the most dynamic area of your chart, you will find ways to bring your charisma and can-do spirit together. It's a winning combination.

#### $\mathbf{\Omega}$ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Even Leos find the going tough sometimes and if you have a problem of some kind today, you must ask for help. The longer you pretend everything is going fine, the bigger the fallout when it all gets too much.

#### **W** Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

You have a way with words but sometimes you say too much or speak in too aggressive a tone. With Venus moving into the communications area of your chart today that isn't a problem though.

#### **△** Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

You need to find a way to strike a better balance between work and family issues. If you know you won't be able to meet certain obligations then say so.

#### M Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Petty victories are just that petty. As of today, you must raise your sights and focus only on battles that are worthy of your talents. One major battle won is worth a thousand skirmishes of no consequence.

#### **₹** Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You may have to do something you don't much enjoy but if you adopt the right attitude and do a good job, you may be surprised how rewarding it is.

#### り Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Confidence is your most potent weapon and if you act as if nothing can possibly go wrong, today most likely nothing will. The universe has a way of rewarding those who take a

carefree, can-do attitude to life.

#### Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Your prospects are getting better and with values planet Venus moving into the career area of your chart today, the powers that be will look on you kindly. If you have a dream, let the world know.

#### H Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20

This should be a wonderful time, especially if you are on the move. Whether you travel to the far side of the Earth or just down the road to see a friend, love and laughter will go with you every step of the way. **SALLY BROMPTON** 

#### **Crossword: Canada Across and Down**

#### Across

- 1. Guy 6. Awestruck 10. Hunk
- 14. Sci-Fi flick starring Sigourney Weaver
- 15. Bill of fare
- 16. Stack
- 17. Hotel employee 18. Walk worriedly
- 19. Leave out
- 20. Main course
- 22. Confine 24. Patio places
- 26. Glam furniture piece
- 27. Distant
- 30. Casual top 31. Barley bristle
- 32. Surface
- 34. Catherine of "The
- Dukes of Hazzard"
- 36. Fashionable 40. It might lead
- government to keep things secret: 2 wds.
- 43. Acquire
- 44. Zero
- 45. Canada-England divider
- 46. On: French 47. Calligrapher's
- prop
- 49. "Hiss!" 50. Parka
- 54. Delighted the audience, the
- show 56. Be a tourist
- 58. Mr. Mandela 62. Auto race, \_\_ 500
- 63. Put on payroll
- 65. Village People hit:
- Man'
- 66. Judge

40

43

- 67. Advocate 68. Molecular bits
- 69. Eagle of the sea,
- variantly 70. Eager
- 71. Current affairs-ish
- **Down**

#### 1. Best-liked, com-

#### monly 2. Flair

67

- 3. Cheerful music
  - 4. Wary
  - 5. Aardvark 6. Music blaster
  - 7. \_\_ up for (Gets
  - prepared) 8. Stevie Wonder's
  - "For \_\_ in My Life"
- 9. Band from Winnipeg, with The: 2 wds. 10. Hockey is a what?

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11. Speed 12. Lewis Carroll

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- character
- 13. Hollywood legend Ms. Davis
- 21. Another time, in verse

35. Novelist Ms. Rand

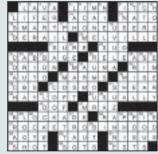
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36. 300, fancily

33. Put a lawyer to

- 37. Haws partners
- 38. Mr. Gershwin, and
- others
- 39. Belonging to Wolf
- Blitzer's channel
- 41. Stone land marker of the Inuit to guide
- Arctic travellers
- 42. Aristocrat gent
- 46. Didn't stand
- 48. 'Creat' suffix
- 50. "All kidding
- 51. San Francisco footballer, colloqui-
- 52. Calgary neigh-
- bourhood
- 53. Make a poem, say
- 54. Mr. Savard, Hockey Hall of Famer
- 55. Make happy
- 57. Ireland
- 59. Bulk-carrying barge
- 60. Units of electrical resistance
- 61. Like a busybody,
- variantly
- 64. Dusk, to Donne



#### How to play Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

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23. X ...spelled in

25. Credit card user

English

27. Speedy

28. Region

(1942)

29. Humphrey's

part in "Casablanca"

31. Topper of letter

'e' in French words,

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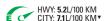
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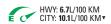
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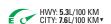
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